# CITY GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF CITY COUNCIL SAVANNAH, GEORGIA March 10, 2011

The regular meeting of Council was held this date at 2:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of City Hall. The Invocation was given by Reverend Jeremiah McCarthy, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The corrected Minutes of the meeting of February 24, 2011 City Council Meeting and the February 24, Summary Minutes of the City Council Workshop and City Manager's Briefing were approved upon motion of Alderman Jackson, seconded by Alderman Jones, and carried.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Otis S. Johnson, Presiding

Mayor Pro-Tem Edna B. Jackson

Alderman Tony Thomas, Chairman of Council

Alderman Van Johnson, II, Vice-Chairman of Council

Aldermen Larry Stuber, Clifton Jones, Jeff Felser, Mary Osborne

and Mary Ellen Sprague

Acting City Manager Rochelle S. Toney
City Attorney James B. Blackburn
Asst. City Attorneys William W. Shearouse and Lester B. Johnson, III

Upon motion of Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Felser, approval was given for the Mayor to sign an affidavit and resolution for an Executive Session held today to discuss litigation and personnel, where no votes were taken (SEE RESOLUTIONS).

### **PRESENTATIONS**

Mayor Johnson, on behalf of the City welcomed Göran Fremrot from Vaxjo Sweden. He stated the City of Savannah entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with Vaxjo in 2009. The MOU created favorable conditions for long-term cooperation in the areas of Environmental/Social Sustainability, Innovation, Economic Development, City Branding, Tourism, and Sports. Since that time, Savannah leaders visited Vaxjo in September of 2009 and participated in the Eco-Building Conference and learned about sustainable technologies and are considering using the techniques in the Savannah Gardens Housing Development. Partnership opportunities are being explored with local universities and universities of Linnaeus. Bridget Lidy, Citizen Office Administrator for the Tourism and Film Services Department, stated Mr. Fremrot was on a trade mission across the US and his first stop was Savannah. Mr. Fremrot thanked Council for having him in Savannah. He said his people, back home, told him on his trade mission to be sure and start in Savannah. Mayor Johnson welcomed Mr. Fremrot and told him the City was very serious about the relationship with Vaxjo. Ms. Marronde Lumpkin, Director of Economic Development stated they hosted Mr. Fremrot that afternoon and it was wonderful working with him. Aldermen Stuber and Sprague, along with the Mayor will meet Mr. Fremrot for breakfast the next morning.

Stratton Leopold recognized Abigail Keener, a first grader at Windsor Forest Elementary School, and Ahmed Award, a fifth grader at May Howard Elementary School, for winning the Leopold's Ice Cream essay contest in celebration of Black History Month in February. Mrs. Leopold recognized Ms. Hardin, Ahmed's teacher who inspired his essay. The student's entire classes will have an ice cream party. Mr. Leopold introduced library staff Rob Townsend, A. Kune, and Ms. Devine. The essays will be posted on the Leopold's webpage as well as the library's webpage. Mr. & Mrs. Leopold surprised Council with ice cream.

Murray Silver representing the Fenian Society of Savannah received a proclamation from the Mayor celebrating the contributions of the Irish community in Savannah.

**WHEREAS:** The celebration of St. Patrick's Day originated as a religious holiday recognized internationally on March 17<sup>th</sup> and is named for the patron of Ireland, Saint Patrick; and

**WHEREAS:** Irishmen have marched along the streets of Savannah annually for 187 years to celebrate St. Patrick's Day; and

**WHEREAS:** The City of Savannah is now home to thousands of descendants of many communities in Ireland, including Wexford Town in Wexford County; and

**WHEREAS:** There is a desire among members of the Savannah Irish community to establish formal ties between the City of Savannah and Wexford Town in Ireland; and

**WHEREAS:** In honor of the Irish heritage and strong ties that exist between Savannah and Ireland, the City of Savannah has established the Greater Savannah International Alliance to assist in developing such relationships.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Otis S. Johnson, Mayor, on behalf of the Savannah City Council, do hereby charge the Greater Savannah International Alliance to work with all interested members of the Irish community to pursue building partnerships between the City of Savannah and interested Irish communities.

Mr. Silver stated with great pride and humility, he accepted the proclamation on behalf of the Fenian Society. He recognized three members: Ronnie Hatts, Tommy Taylor, and Chris Morris. He then thanked the Mayor for his dynamic leadership, his kindness, and his dignity.

The St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee was present to to request a permit for the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 17, 2011. General Chairman Michael A. Foran stated this parade was the "best in the world." He express it is family event with over 40-bands, the Wells Fargo Stage Coach, the Virginia Tech Highty Tighty Marching Band, the Budweiser Clydesdales, over 500 Military Rangers, and the Savannah Police Emerald Society. He thanked the Mayor and Council for their support. He introduced the 187<sup>th</sup> Parade Grand Marshall Walter Crawford. Mr. Crawford stated this year's theme will be "Welcome Cousins." Mr. Foran then recognized other committee members: Vice Chairman/Program Joseph T. Welch; Secretary/Past Kevin C. Halligan; Treasurer Michael J. Hogan; Membership Secretary Brendan T. Sheehan; Assistant Secretary Patrick J. Burke; Financial Secretary Michael A. Kenny; Chaplain Father Patrick O'Brien; Executive Committee T. Frank Baker, Michael Brady, Brian Michael Counihan, Sr., Robert M. Osborne, Lawrence E. Edgery, Darrell E. Farringer, John Patrick Fogarty, Joseph F. Ireland, II, Pete Liakakis, Tom J. Mahoney, III, Angela H. Coleman, and Patty W. Wilson; Ashley Norris, Ryan Atkins, Bill Barrow, Jerry Hogan, Tom Mahoney, Joe Welch, David Hodges, Tommy Welch, and the Savannah Police Emerald Society. Upon motion by Alderman Sprague, seconded by Alderman Felser, and carried the permit was granted.

# LEGISLATIVE REPORTS

As advertised, the following alcoholic license petitions were heard. No one appeared in objection to the issuance of the licenses and upon motion of Alderman Thomas, seconded by Alderman Felser, and carried, they were approved:

### ALCOHOL BEVERAGES LICENSE HEARING

Jonathan G. Darling for Creole Tomato Enterprises LLC, d/b/a Second Line, requesting a beer and wine (drink) license at 306 W. Upper Factors Walk, which is located in District.

Robert L. Hauft for Temperance LLC d/b/a Temperance, requesting a liquor, beer and wine (drink) license with Sunday sales at 220 W. Broughton Street, which is located between Barnard and Jefferson Streets in District 1.

Ryan Michelle Monroe for Courtyard Management Corporation d/b/a Courtyard by Marriot, requesting to add liquor (drink) to an existing beer and wine (drink) license with Sunday sales at 6703 Abercorn Street, which is located between Jackson Boulevard and Hampton Street in District 4.

Gregory Milo Parker for Gregory M. Parker, Inc. d/b/a Parker's No. 35, requesting a beer and wine (package) license at 5300 Skidaway Road, which is located in District 3.

Hitesh T. Patel for Prem Enterprise, Inc. d/b/a Vikki Food Mart, requesting a beer and wine (package) license at 4402 Montgomery Street, which is located between 60th and 61st Streets in District 5.

Praful Patel for Star Package Shop, Inc. d/b/a Jack's Package Shop, requesting to transfer a liquor, beer and wine (package) license from 3320 Ogeechee Road to 3320 Ogeechee Road, Suite No. 1, which is located between Plymouth Street and Liberty Parkway in District 5.

Vinay D. Patel for Vinny Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a One Stop Shop, requesting a beer and wine (package) license at 2100 Montgomery Street, which is located between 37th and 38th Streets in District 5.

Ruben V. Tristanto t/a The Noodle Bowl, requesting a beer and wine (drink) license with Sunday sales at 7052-7056 Hodgson Memorial Drive, which is located in District 4.

Christopher Ray Wilson for Food Lion LLC d/b/a Food Lion No. 2192, requesting a beer and wine (package) license at 701 Martin Luther King, Boulevard, which is located in District 1.

Jeff Burcham d/b/a JJ Bonerz, requesting a hybrid permit at 11 W. Bay Street, which has liquor, beer and wine (drink) license and is located between Bull and Whitaker Streets in District 1. (Adding hybrid permit.)

James W. Soleo for Fudd DT Investment Group LLC d/b/a Shipwreck of Savannah, requesting a hybrid permit at 15 W. Broughton Street, which has liquor, beer and wine (drink) license and is located between Bull and Whitaker Streets in District 1. (Adding hybrid permit.)

G. Blaine Knispel for GBK d/b/a Blaine's, requesting a hybrid permit at 13 E. Perry Street, which has liquor, beer and wine (drink) license and is located between Bull and Drayton Streets in District 1. (Adding hybrid permit.)

Mark A. Fountain for Fountain /Polsin Enterprise Inc. d/b/a The Bay Café /Butcher Shop, requesting a hybrid permit at 301 W. Bay Street, which has liquor, beer and wine (drink) license and is located between Jefferson and Barnard Streets in District 1. (Adding hybrid permit.)

Victor R. Power t/a Kevin Barry's Inc., requesting a hybrid permit at 117 W. River Street, which has liquor, beer and wine (drink) license and is located between the Bull and Barnard Street Ramps in District 1. (Adding hybrid permit.)

Nicholas Pappas for Galaxy Café Inc. d/b/a Olympia Cafe, requesting a hybrid permit at 5 E. River Street, which has liquor, beer and wine (drink) license and is located between the Bull and Drayton Street Ramps in District 1. (Adding hybrid permit.)

William B. Hall for River Street Restaurant, Inc. d/b/a Huey's Restaurant, requesting a hybrid permit at 115 E. River Street, which has liquor, beer and wine (drink) license and is located between the Drayton and Abercorn Ramps in District 1. (Adding hybrid permit.)

Raymond Lewis d/b/a Raymond's Lounge, requesting renewal of a liquor, beer and wine (drink) license at 2016 Skidaway Road, which is located between 36th and 37th Streets in District 3. (Annual renewal. Continued from February 24, 2011.) Alderman Stuber thanked Council for continuing this application so that the community could meet with the owners. The City staff will monitor and measure the noise at this location.

Alderman Johnson asked if the hybrid permits would revert back to the original license. Revenue Director Tom Vanderhorst stated with the hybrid permit approval, the restaurants can continue to extend their hours of operation until the end of the year.

ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE SHOW CAUSE HEARINGS: Malone's on the River. A hearing for Brijesh Patel and Arun C. Patel to show cause why their bar known as Malone's on the River at 313-317 W. River Street, located between the Barnard Ramp and Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard in District 1, should continue to operate due to violations of State law and City ordinances in allowing underage persons into the establishment on a regular basis prior to the expiration of the 2010 license to sell liquor, beer and wine by the drink. (Continued from February 10, 2011.) Mayor Johnson stated there was a request to continue this hearing until March 24, 2011. Alderman Johnson stated this is an editorial comment only but, his fear was, when they started this in January that this continuance would happen and not have a hearing. Alderman Osborne stated the Council allowed the same actions for Wild Wings. Alderman Felser stated Attorney/Judge Scheer did not need any defending however, he is accompanying his wife out of state for medical treatments and that it had nothing to do with them trying to advert the law; and he wished them well. Alderman Johnson stated that was not what he said or meant by his comment and he made a motion to continue the hearing, seconded by Alderman Osborne, and carried.

### RESOLUTIONS

# A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF SAVANNAH AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AFFIDAVIT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah as follows:

At the meeting held on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of March, the Council entered into a closed session for the purpose of discussing litigation and personnel. At the close of the discussions upon this subject, the Council reentered into open session and herewith takes the following action in open session:

- 1. The actions of Council and the discussions of the same regarding the matter set forth for the closed session purposes are hereby ratified;
- 2. Each member of this body does hereby confirms that to the best of his or her knowledge, the subject matter of the closed session was devoted to matters within the specific relevant exception(s) as set forth above;
- 3. The presiding officer is hereby authorized and directed to execute an affidavit, with full support of the Council in order to comply with O.C.G.A. §50-14-4(b); 17
- 4. The affidavit shall be included and filed with the official minutes of the meeting and shall be in a form as required by the statute.

# ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 10<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2010 UPON MOTION OF ALDERMAN JOHNSON, SECONDED BY ALDERMAN FELSER, AND CARRIED.

QUIT CLAIM DEED TO 102 ELI WHITNEY BOULEVARD, LLC. A RESOLUTION to authorize the execution of a quit claim deed to release a 60' drainage right-of-way across property located at 102 Eli Whitney Boulevard. On April 24, 2008, Council approved Petition 11768 in which Phillip McCorkle on behalf of 102 Whitney Boulevard, LLC, requested that the City quit claim a 60' drainage right-of-way lying between Lots 4 and 5, Phase I, S.P.A. Industrial Park Subdivision, PINs 2-0985-04-026 and -027. The right-of-way contains a wide drainage ditch which separates Lot 5 from the adjacent manufacturing and warehouse buildings. The property owner proposed to construct a truck dock over Lot 5 and connect it to the existing building on Lots 3 and 4. Council's approval was subject to several stipulations including the construction and/or redesign of an alternate drainage ditch to handle storm water discharge and the backfill of the existing ditch within the right-of-way. All of the work was to be inspected and approved by Stormwater Management and in compliance with City development standards and all applicable local, state and federal laws. Stormwater Management has granted formal approval of the truck dock expansion plans and releases any hold on the quit claim deed

for the former drainage right-of-way. There are no objections from Development Services.

### Legal Description

That 60 foot drainage right of way between Lots 4 and 5, Phase 1, S.P.A. Industrial Park Subdivision, Savannah, Georgia, as shown on the Subdivision Map by Hussey, Gay & Bell dated November, 1977, recorded in Subdivision Map Book Q, folio 3, more particularly described as follows: The point of commencement is the northeast corner of Eli Whitney Boulevard (formerly Gignilliat Street) and Artley Road in Phase 1 of the S.P.A. Industrial Park Subdivision; thence North 15° 17' 40" East along the eastern right-of-way of Eli Whitney Boulevard 750 feet to a point which is the point of beginning; continuing thence North 15° 17' 40" East along said right-of-way a distance of 60 feet to a concrete monument; thence South 74° 42' 20" along the southern boundary line of Lot 5 East 470 feet to a point; thence South 15° 17' 40" 60 feet to a point; thence North 74° 42' 20" along the northern boundary line of Lot 4 West 470 feet to the point of beginning. The property described herein is shown on a plat by Thomas & Hutton Engineering Co., prepared for ADM Cocoa, dated August 17, 1998, and designated as File J-11788, entitled "A Right-of-Way Plat of Lot 5, Phase I, S.P.A. Industrial Park Subdivision known as #102 Ely Whitney Blvd., 8<sup>th</sup> GM District, Chatham County, Georgia."

# A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF A QUIT CLAIM DEED TO RELEASE A 60' DRAINAGE RIGHT-OF-WAY ACROSS PROPERTY LOCATED AT 102 ELI WHITNEY BOULEVARD.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah are authorized by Georgia law to release the City's interest in previously acquired drainage rights-of-way and utility easements for such compensation as the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah deems reasonable, such rights-of-way or easements no long conforming to the plan of the City of Savannah and which no longer serve the purpose for which these particular rights-of-way or easements were originally established; and

WHEREAS, Petitioner has provided alternate drainage infrastructure to handle the storm water runoff across its property, and all other "common area" storm water discharge has been redirected from the subject right-of-way to the satisfaction of City staff; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah find that the sixty (60') foot drainage right-of-way described in that plat prepared by Thomas & Hutton Engineering Co., dated August 17, 1998 and entitled "A Right-of-Way Plat of Lot 5, Phase I, S.P.A. Industrial Park Subdivision known as #102 Ely Whitney Blvd., 8<sup>th</sup> GM District, Chatham County, Georgia" no longer serves the purposes for which it was established;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the Mayor and Aldermen in regular meeting assembled, with more than two-thirds of the Aldermen present and voting in the affirmative approve the vacation of the subject drainage right-of-way and authorize the City Manager to execute a Quit Claim Deed to 102 Eli Whitney Boulevard, LLC, the owner of record of the property, in conformance with this Resolution.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 10th day of March, 2011, upon motion by Alderman Thomas seconded by Alderman Jones and carried.

# MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Revisions to the Master Plan and Guidelines for Markers, Monuments and Public Art. City Council approved the *Master Plan and Guidelines for Markers, Monuments, and Public Art in the City of Savannah* on March 1, 2007. This was the first comprehensive document outlining the process for marker and monument approval as well as establishing evaluation guidelines. A review of the Master Plan and Guidelines found that there are some guidelines which need improvement and some processes which should be modified. Additionally, the inventory maps and spreadsheets need to be updated. The proposed revisions are as follows: • Inventory updates – Additions are made to the inventory list of markers, monuments and available sites. • Guidelines –

Revisions are made to clarify or strengthen guidelines on theme, site, design, text and funding. • Process – The application process is being revised to provide a preliminary review of the design before final submission, add site plan review, and revise the role of the Technical Advisory Committee to provide comments rather than recommendations. The Historic Site and Monument Commission reviewed the proposed recommendations on August 5, 2010.

Upon motion by Alderman Thomas, seconded by Alderman Osborne, and carried, the revisions to the Master Plan was approved.

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Upon motion of Alderman Felser, seconded by Alderman Thomas, and carried, the following **bids**, **contracts and agreements** were approved:

### BIDS, CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS

#### <u>Project DeRenne – Intergovernmental Agreement with Chatham County.</u>

During the February 24th Council workshop, a consensus emerged about moving ahead with Project DeRenne preliminary design and environmental review, including the Tatemville Noise Barrier. This project seeks to protect neighborhoods, revitalize business, and improve traffic flow. City Council is being asked to agree to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with Chatham County to release previously appropriated SPLOST funds and move forward with Phase III of Project DeRenne. Approved.

### <u>Project DeRenne - Phase III – Preliminary Design and Environmental Review.</u>

Phase I of Project DeRenne was Public Outreach and Traffic Analysis. Phase II provided detailed concept engineering and extensive citizen engagement activities. Phase III will include a detailed environmental review of related impacts and preliminary design. Approval to extend the services of Kimley-Horn for Phase III, in the total amount of \$2.91 million.

Savannah Gardens Phases IIA and IIB Civil Site Construction - Bid No. 10.156A. Approval to procure construction services for civil site construction for Savannah Gardens Phase II A and II B from the Astra Group in the amount of \$2,531,692.55. Phase II A and II B infrastructure includes earthwork, new streets, curbs, sidewalks, bike paths, water supply, sanitary sewer, storm water, erosion control, hardscapes, landscapes, and site furnishings. Phase 2A and 2B work will occur east of Pennsylvania Avenue between Elgin Street and Crescent Drive. This infrastructure is being performed to comply with the requirements for Savannah Gardens to become a certified EarthCraft Coastal Community. It will also enable the development of the first group of tax credit housing units that were awarded by the Department of Community Affairs to Mercy Housing in December 2010. Phase III will be awarded in the future as housing development financing is secured, including the award of additional housing tax credits by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs. Phase I was awarded to Astra Group in August of 2010 by City Council. Delivery: 30 Days. Terms: Net-30 Days. Funds are available in the 2011 Budget, Capital Improvements Fund/Capital Improvements Projects/Other Costs/Savannah Gardens Phase 2 (Account No. 311-9207-52842-PD400).

### <u>Truck Scale for Dean Forest Landfill – RFP No. 11.003.</u>

Approval to procure a truck scale from Sisson Scale & Equipment Co. in the amount of \$42,480.00. The scale will be installed, set-up, activated, and calibrated at the City of Savannah Landfill as part of the construction of the Landfill Administration building currently underway. The method used for this procurement was the Request for Proposal (RFP) which evaluates other criteria in addition to price. The criteria evaluated as part of this RFP were product features, thoroughness of response, product support and warranty, and proposer qualifications in addition to the costs. Delivery: 60 Days. Terms: Net-30 Days. Funds are available in the 2011 Budget, Capital Improvements Fund/Capital Improvements Projects/Other Costs/Dean Forest Landfill Administration Building (Account No. 311-9207-52842-SA500).

### <u>Juniper Network Equipment – Sole Source – Requisition No. 111979191.</u>

Approval to procure Juniper network equipment from Layer 3 in the amount of \$55,506.00. The equipment will be installed in the Emergency Command and Control Center being constructed at the Civic Center. The reason why a sole source vendor is

required is that Layer 3 Communications was awarded the contract for Information Technology supported network Juniper equipment in September, 2007. The City is standardizing its networking systems with Juniper equipment. Pricing is based on the same discount structure (50% off list) offered through that contract. Delivery: 2 Weeks. Terms: Net-30 Days. Funds are available in the 2011 Budget, Capital Improvement Fund/Capital Improvement Projects/Other Costs/Emergency Command & Control Center (Account No. 311-9207-52842-PB526).

<u>Ammunition for Savannah-Chatham Metropolitan Police Department – One Time Purchase – Quotation No. 11.011.</u> Approval to procure ammunition from Smyrna Police Distributors in the amount of \$102,690.00. The 311,000 rounds of various ammunitions will be used by the Savannah-Chatham Metropolitan Police Department for police officer training. Delivery: As Needed. Terms: Net-30 Days. Funds are available in the 2011 Budget, General Fund/SCMPD Support Services/Operating Expenses (Account No. 101-4240-51320).

Westside Stormwater Outfall Line (DR-122-C) – Summary Change Order. Approval of a summary change order to TIC - The Industrial Company in the amount of \$772,905.02. The Westside Outfall, along with the Westside Pump Station and Westside Interceptor provide flood protection to citizens and property owners in West Savannah in the Fell Street Basin. This summary change order will close out the stormwater outfall line project which has been fully functional since it was completed in 2006. From January 27, 2004 until December 14, 2004, property issues prevented issuance of a notice for TIC to proceed with the contract. During this period, prices for construction materials and services (primarily related to steel and fuel) rose rapidly. When a notice to proceed was issued, quoted prices (obtained at the time of bidding) were over one year old. Thus, suppliers and subcontractors refused TIC's requests to honor price quotations. construction contract states: "05-Lands for Work: The Owner shall provide, as indicated on the drawings and not later than the date when needed by the Contractor, the Lands upon which the work under this Contract is to be done, rights-of-way for access to same, and such other lands which are designated on the drawing for the use of the Contractor. Any delay in the furnishing of these Lands by the Owner shall be deemed proper cause for an equitable adjustment in both contract price and time of completion." In November of 2006, following the successful completion of the project in the summer of 2006, a claim was presented with supporting information. This change order has been in dispute since then. An extensive evaluation of the claim has been undertaken and staff recommends reimbursing TIC for costs incurred due to price escalation only. TIC has agreed to this amount to resolve the dispute. Approval of the summary change order for \$772,905.02, (All other summary changes have been adjusted in previous change orders). Funds are available in the 2011 Budget, Capital Improvements Fund/Capital Improvements Projects/Westside Stormwater Outfall Line (Account No. 311- 0000-21128-DR 122).

<u>Modification No.1 – Bid No. 09.202 (PB836).</u> Approval of Contract Modification No. 1 to Kern-Coleman Inc. in the amount of \$96,500.00. This project involves modifications to the original scope of work which was a Police Training Facility and has been changed to accommodate all Public Safety staff training. To do these modifications, additional site development is required as well as extensive modification to the original plans which are near completion. This modification also changes the type of building from a traditional building to a prefabricated building which will significantly reduce the cost of the entire project. Approval of Contract Modification No.1 to Kern-Coleman in the amount of \$96,500.00. Funds are available in the 2011 Budget, Capital Improvements Fund/Capital Improvements Projects/Other Costs/Lift Station Rehabilitation (Account No. 311-9207-52842-PB836).

Oils, Lubricants and Anti-Freeze – Annual Contract – Bid No. 10.258. Awarded an annual contract for oils, lubricants and anti freeze to Colonial Oil Industries in the amount of \$68,006.89. The products will be used by Vehicle Maintenance in the servicing of the City's fleet vehicles. Delivery: As Required. Terms: 1%-10 Days, Net-30 Days. Funds are available in the 2011 Budget, Account No. 611-1130-51365.

<u>No. 11.058.</u> Renewed an annual contract to procure breathing apparatus from International Safety Instruments, Inc. in the amount of \$51,090.00. The breathing

apparatus will be used by Savannah Fire Department firefighters while combating fires or in hazardous conditions. Although several solicitations were made, only one manufacturer responded to this bid. The brand is compatible with existing breathing apparatus. This is the last renewal option available. Delivery: As needed. Terms: Net-30 days. Funds are available in the 2011 Budget, General Fund/Fire Operations/ Equipment Maintenance (Account No. 101-5140-51250).

<u>Link Controllers – Annual Contract Renewal – Bid No. 11.064.</u> Renewed an annual contract for link controllers from Layer 3 Communications in the amount of \$52,446.00. The contract includes link controllers, configuration and installation services and will be used by Information Technology to reconfigure the City's Internet infrastructure to accommodate the new load balancers. The contract also includes Premium Maintenance (includes parts and labor) and 29% off list price of miscellaneous parts. Although several solicitations were made, only one bid was received. Delivery: As Needed. Terms: Net-30 Days. Funds are available in the 2011 Budget, Capital Improvement Fund/Capital Improvement Projects/Other Costs/Various Projects (Account No. 311-9207- 52842).

<u>Uniforms for Savannah Fire Department – Annual Contract Renewal – Bid No. 11.062.</u> Renewed an annual contract to procure uniforms from Gall's in the amount of \$119,560.00. The uniforms will be used by the Savannah Fire Department to outfit firefighters. The reason for not originally selecting the low bidder is that the uniforms proposed by U.S. Patriot Tactical were wear tested and found to be unsatisfactory by a committee of 5 firefighters and 2 administrators. This is the first of two renewal options available. Delivery: As Needed. Terms: Net-30 days. Funds are available in the 2011 Budget, General Fund/Fire Operations/Uniforms (Account No. 101-5140-51310).

<u>Trash Compactors – Annual Contract Renewal – Bid No. 11.066.</u> Renewed an annual contract to procure trash compactors from Stribling Systems in the amount of \$141,000.00. The trash compactors will be used by the Commercial Refuse Department to replace worn out units. Although several solicitations were made, only one bidder was able to meet the specifications requiring 110V AC power with self contained hydraulics. This is the first of two renewal options available. Delivery: 45 Days. Terms: Net-30 Days. Funds are available in the 2011 Budget, Account No. 513-7205-51520.

<u>Wireless Services – Annual Contract Renewal – RFP No. 11.060.</u> Renewed an annual contract to procure wireless services with Verizon Wireless in the estimated amount of \$389,695.00. The City currently has 460 cellular phones, 189 Blackberry's and 355 air cards for laptops. This is the second of four renewal options available. Proposals were originally received May 22, 2007. The proposal has been advertised, opened and reviewed. Delivery: As Needed. Terms: Net-30 Days. Funds are available in the 2011 Budget, Various Departments/Communications (Account No. Various 51211).

<u>Video Surveillance System – Bid No. 10.310-2-1 – Savannah/Hilton Head International Airport.</u> The Savannah Airport Commission received approval to enter into a contract with I-Sys Corp. in the amount of \$888,429.00 for the Video Surveillance System upgrade. The video surveillance system is a critical component of the Airport's security program. The recommended upgrade and expansion is based on the Endura IP video product line manufactured by Pelco. It will update and expand the existing Pelco analog video system. The Airport's plan for future maintenance and additions is based upon a single, uniform system provided by a manufacturer offering a complete system from cameras to software management through Internet protocol storage and viewer interfaces. This project is funded under Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) Amendment 8 and is a programmed life-cycle system upgrade/replacement.

Body Armor Vests – Annual Contract – Bid No. 10.303. Awarded warding an annual contract to procure body armor vests from U.S. Armor Corporation in the amount of \$67,350.00. The body armor vests (150 each) will be used by the Savannah-Chatham Metropolitan Police Department. The reason for not selecting the low bidders is that the body armor proposed by SRT Supply does not have the 6 point closure as specified, the shoulder straps are not adjustable and there is no flexibility or contour to the body. The body armor proposed by Gall's does not include the extended tail as specified and no information could be found on whether the body armor was water resistant or heat sealed as specified. It also was not flexible and did not contour to the body as required. Wear testing was conducted on the lower priced vests and was an important part of the evaluation. The vests must be comfortable so that officers will wear them for protection.

Delivery: As Needed. Terms: 2%-15 Days. Funds are available in the 2011 Budget, Other Federal Grants/Justice Assistance Grant/Clothing & Laundry/Bryne Jag Recovery Act (Account No. 212-4282-51310-ES029). Alderman Johnson asked if the City could sell the existing vest. Ms. Toney stated she would follow-up on this and search some cost saving ideas. Alderman Jackson stated the National League of Cities has a program for the vests. Alderman Johnson made a motion to approve the purchase, seconded by Alderman Osborne, and carried.

Mayor Johnson stated during the Executive Session the Council made the following appointments to Boards, Commissions, and Authorities: CHATHAM / SAVANNAH AUTHORITY FOR THE HOMELESS: Appoint Nicholas C. Pecone and Appoint Steven L. Ware; CIVIL SERVICE BOARD: Appoint Myra Stokes; COSTAL REGION METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION: Appoint J. Larry Miles, Jr.; CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION: Appoint Dawn L. Howard and Spencer E. White, III, Re-appoint Kim Manigault and Janet Steffen; DOWNTOWN SAVANNAH AUTHORITY: Appoint D. Michelle Thomas; HISTORIC DISTRICT BOARD OF REVIEWS: Re-appoint Brian Judson and Linda M. Ramsey; HOUSING AUTHORITY OF SAVANNAH: Appoint Malik R. Watkins; KEEP SAVANNAH BEAUTIFUL: Appoint Jessica G. Pedigo and Tom Sharpe; Re-appoint Willie Stephens, III; PENSION METROPOLITAN Re-appoint Mark Schaefer's; COMMISSION: Re-appoint Tanya Milton; SAVANNAH AIRPORT COMMISSION: Re-appoint Lois Cason Wooten; SAVANNAH / CHATHAM COUNCIL OF DISABILITY NEEDS: Appoint Abdus Shaheed-Ali; Re-appoint Tanet U. Taharka; SAVANNAH CONVENTION &VISITORS BUREAU: Re-appoint Rochelle Small-Toney and Appoint Alderman Tony Thomas; SAVANNAH FILM COMMISSION: Appoint Michael Jarema and Stratton Leopold Appoint LaSandra Reese and David Harland Rousseau; RECREATION COMMISSION: Appoint Lemuel Campbell and Faye Roxann Prescott; TOURISM ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Appoint James Byous, Michelle Freenor, Kimberly Phillips, and Vaughnette Goode-Walker, Re-appoint Joseph Marinelli, David Richards, Jr., William H. Stuebe, and Robert H. Tomhave.

Mayor Johnson stated, in Executive Session the Council met to move forward on the appointment of City manager. It was a consensus that a special meeting of the City Council would be held to discuss developing a proposal to submit to the nominee for City Manager, with the assistance of the City Attorney. At the same time, they would inform the nominee to present a proposal to the City Council; and then they would meet and negotiate terms of employment and move forward. Alderman Johnson made a motion to extend the appointment of Acting City Manager Rochelle Small Toney for an additional three months, seconded by Alderman Jones, and carried.

Mayor Johnson announced the members of Council would be attending the National League of Cities' convention in Washington, DC March 11 - 16, 2011.

Alderman Felser thanked the Mayor, Council, and City Manager for the follow-up Town Hall Meeting with LNG. He also asked for a resolution for the Environmental Impact Study. The City's consultant also suggested Council vote on the resolution. Alderman Sprague requested the EIP include every possible route, as well as routes of the future. Mayor Johnson stated they would move forward with the resolution with the assistance of the Clerk of Council and asked Council if they were giving him authority to sign the resolution once it is drafter; to which they agreed.

Alderman Thomas gave a brief report on the Cruise Ship Initiative. Last week the Georgia House of Representatives approved a resolution supporting the initiative by supporting Savannah in a cruise ship terminal operation. Also, the Charleston newspaper had an article that day on what cruise ships meant to their community. The headlines boast 366 new jobs and forty-three billion dollar economic boost in the economy.

Alderman Johnson acknowledged some young people in the audience from the Explorer Post Program. Mr. Drew Wilks, the Attorney Advisor stated these students have expressed interest in pursuing careers in law or government. Teacher Barbara Foley had the students introduce themselves: Jennifer Kennedy- H.V. Jenkins High School; Joshua Soave- Savannah Arts Academy; Shakeyla Blackwell- H.V. Jenkins High School; Cierra Harris- H.V. Jenkins High School; Jessica McGee- A.E. Beach High School; and Akira Taylor- H.V. Jenkins High School

Alderman Felser asked Ms. Toney to update the Property Maintenance Chart, for Neighborhoods that the previous City Manager had compiled, in order to see the progress since then.

Mayor Johnson acknowledged the presence of Ms. Earline Davis, the Director of the Housing Authority of Savannah. He also expressed his appreciation to the citizens for their interest.

There being no further business, Mayor Johnson declared this meeting of Council adjourned.

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